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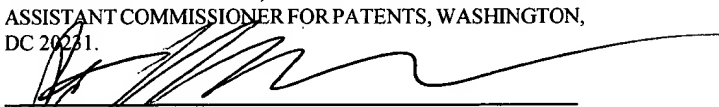
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5/31/01, and James M. Boswell signing 5/25/01. Despite this submission, Applicants received a Notice to File Missing Parts dated 8/23/01 which stated that signatures were missing for inventors Aaron W. Ogus and James M. Boswell. On September 5, 2001 Applicants responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts with attachments which included copies of the three executed Declarations filed with the application and the return receipt postcard which listed them on the date of filing. Although the PTO is routinely authorized to charge agent's deposit account, Applicants clearly asserted in their Response that **no defect existed in the filing of the application which warranted the Notice to File Missing Parts of 8/23/01.**

For this reason, Applicants request a refund of the \$130 late filing fee. Please credit our Deposit Account No. 23-3050 in the amount of \$130.00. This request is submitted in duplicate.

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